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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND IDENTIFICATION OF COPENDING APPLICATIONS

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

Also enclosed is a copy of a French Search Report bearing a mailing date of March 14, 2001, and the U.S. PTO is directed thereto for a concise statement of possible relevance of the references cited therein.

The attention of the Patent Office is drawn to copending applications Serial No. 09/206,255 filed December 7, 1998 and Serial No. 09/534,459 filed March 27, 2000 which may contain technical subject matter related to that of the present invention. This identification is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to the cited application now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited applications and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

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pplication, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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